MINUTES STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES MAY 24, 1995

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at Mississippi State University's Engineering and Research Center, Room 20 in Starkville Mississippi on Thursday, May 24, 1995, at 10:00 a.m.

<u>Members present</u>: Paul Breazeale, Amos Bridges, Patricia Puckett, Perrin Purvis, Nell Rogers, Hazel Terry, and William Seal.

Members absent: Alton Bankston, Barbara Ricks and George Walker.

<u>Staff in attendance</u>: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, William Box, William H. Bunch, Jr., Becky Cade, Beth Canzoneri, Dr. Larry Day, Janet Henderson, Sandra Lucas, Mac McClellan, Debbie Mock, Ed Schneider, and Frankie White.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Breazeale at 10:05 a.m. Mr. Breazeale thanked Mississippi State University for hosting the May SBCJC meeting.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Mr. Perrin Purvis.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board approved the minutes of the April 20, 1995, meeting. <u>Motion carried unanimously</u>.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Nell Rogers, seconded by Patricia Puckett, the Board <u>unanimously adopted</u> the agenda.

SPECIAL INTRODUCTION - NEW SBCJC MEMBERS

Dr. Olon Ray introduced new SBCJC appointees, Mrs. Yvonne Brown from the second Congressional District and Mr. John Junkin, II, from the fourth Congressional District. Their six year terms of appointment will begin on July 1, 1995. Current SBCJC members welcomed the new appointees.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Olon Ray reported to the Board on a meeting with the MACJC presidents on May 23, 1995.

Dr. Ray reminded Board members of the establishment of the Committee on Development of Standards and reported that the first meeting of the committee will be held on June 1, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. He encouraged all Board members to attend if their schedule permits. A group of community college presidents, administrators, librarians, and computer center directors have been asked for input in this process.

The 1995 Legislature authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds in the approximate amount of \$29,000,000 for technology investments for community colleges and libraries.

Dr. Ray reported that Employee Performance Appraisals are currently being completed for all SBCJC staff and salary schedule revision recommendations will be brought to the Board for their approval at the June meeting.

Dr. Ray reviewed a memo mailed to Board members concerning questions raised over the \$750,000 appropriation intended to cover the cost of a technology specialist for each of the fifteen community colleges (\$50,000 per college). Funds appropriated must be distributed through the student driven funding formula, unless otherwise specified in the language of the appropriations bill. Legislative leadership has agreed to offer an amendment to the appropriations bill to specifically authorize the disbursement in the manner intended, \$50,000 per institution.

Dr. Ray reported that budget requests for Fiscal Year 1997, will be brought to the Board in June for approval.

Executive Director's Travel Schedule:

May 29 - State Holiday, SBCJC offices will be closed

May 31 - Meeting with the Mississippi Congressional delegation in Washington, D. C.

June 1 and 2 - Natchez Literary Conference

June 5 - Tech Prep Presentation, MS Gulf Coast Community College

Dr. Ray recommended that the SBCJC Chairman appoint a committee on health care needs.

Dr. Ray again expressed the Board's appreciation to Mississippi State University for their hospitality in hosting the May meeting.

REPORTS/ACTION

MACJC Report

Dr. David Haraway, MACJC Chairman, reported on the activities discussed at the MACJC meeting held on May 2, 1995.

The Association received a report on GED activities by Mr. Bill Box.

Dr. Therrell Myers, distributed the new 1995-1996 Post-Secondary Vocational Reimbursement Salary Schedule with an approximate 7.65% increase over the previous year. Dr. Myers also discussed regional training for secondary and some post-

secondary re-certification training and requested the use of community college facilities and the CCN. A hand-out of proposed secondary Tech Prep sites for 1995-1996 was also distributed.

Dr. Myers discussed with the presidents an overview of the model curricula that will require SBCJC approval. The presidents have concerns about flexibility in curriculum for certain programs, and certificate level programs. The Association requested that Dr. Haraway appoint a committee to work with Dr. Myers in addressing problems in the model curricula.

In Dr. Ray's absence, Bill Bunch gave the Association a report on SBCJC activities, including the technology bonding bill and distributed a job description for a technology specialist position at the community colleges. Mr. Bunch also discussed with the presidents the out-of-state tuition law.

Dr. Larry Day reported to the presidents that capital improvement forms would be forthcoming for completion in order to complete a 5-year plan for capital improvements, repairs and renovations.

A report was received from Dr. Clyde Muse, MACJC legislative chairman, on the presidents' legislative planning meeting to be held on June 17, 18 19 and 20, 1995, on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

A Technology Committee report was received from Wayne Sullivan in Dr. David Cole's absence. On May 31, 1995, Consultant Larry Evans will communicate via the CNN to answer questions concerning the Evans study and equipment.

- *The meeting recessed at 11:05.
- **The meeting reconvened at 11:10.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Patricia Puckett covered items listed on the finance committee agenda.

Upon finance committee recommendation, a motion by Patricia Puckett, and a second by Nell Rogers, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to approve the authorization to purchase from the lowest and best bidder, Custom Mobile Builders, two mobile classroom labs, in the amount of \$40,304. (Exhibit A) and to authorize the purchase of MIS automated reporting system equipment upon CDPA approval. (Exhibit B)

Mrs. Puckett presented for the Board's review, reports on Allocation of FY 1996, Appropriations (S. B. 3212) as follows: General Fund Allocation at \$91,470,059; Education Enhancement Fund Allocation at \$27,701,786; Education Enhancement Fund (Separate Sections); Headcount Enrollment for Pay Purposes, and Funding Comparison by Formula Section FY 95 vs. FY 96. (Exhibit C) No action was required.

Upon finance committee recommendation, a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by William Seal, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to approve DFA Z-1 Form for FY 96, in the areas of support, administration, and technology bill bonding authority. (Exhibit D)

Mrs. Puckett presented for the Board's review budget requests for FY 1997, for administration and support. No action was required. (Exhibit E)

Upon Finance Committee recommendation, a motion by Patricia Puckett, and a second by Amos Bridges, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to approve a Five-year Capital Improvement Projects Plan and a Five-Year Capital Improvement Projects (Repairs & Renovations) Plan. (Exhibit F) A report was also received on Senate Bill 3237 bond projects. (Exhibit G)

Mrs. Puckett presented for the Board's information, a report on the May, 1995 Education Enhancement Fund Disbursement in the amount of \$2,180,358.50. No action was required. (Exhibit H)

Mrs. Puckett also presented for the Board's information, financial statements for funds 2291, 3291, and 4300. No action was required. (Exhibit I)

Program Committee

Mr. Bill Bunch covered items listed on the Program Committee agenda.

Upon program committee recommendation, a motion by Amos Bridges, and a second by Perrin Purvis, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to approve New Program Applications (Exhibit J), Programs Recommended for Termination (Exhibit K), Curriculum and Program Name Changes (Exhibit L), and removal of probationary status from the Benton center.

Workforce Education Report

Mr. Ed Schneider gave Board members an update on workforce activities. The eight mobile classroom/labs have been delivered to the respective community colleges. The State Work Force Council has approved a Customer Satisfaction Survey form which will be distributed to industries being served for their comments. Mr. Schneider stated his intention to provide a program performance report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, at the August Board meeting.

Mr. Schneider also reported that Tupelo is planning a major Job Fair to attract employees sorely in great demand in the area. Information will be distributed to all fifteen community colleges to make them aware of these employment opportunities.

GED Award

Mr. Bill Box, introduced Mrs. Brenda Palmer from Corinth, Mississippi, who achieved the highest overall grade on the GED in Mississippi during 1994. Chairman Breazeale presented Mrs. Palmer with a plaque in recognition of this achievement. Mr. Box also recognized Mr. Ned Riddell, GED chief examiner with the Alcorn School District.

Proprietary Schools Commission Appointments

Upon recommendation by Dr. Ray, a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by Nell Rogers, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to re-appoint Mr. Curtis Davis, from the Fifth Congressional District and Mr. Edward Moore, from the Fourth Congressional District, to the Commission for

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Proprietary School and College Registration. Both appointees will serve five-year terms beginning July 1, 1995.

Proprietary Schools Report

Miss Janet Henderson gave the Board an update on the Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration's activities. (Exhibit M)

Model Project

Dr. Ray introduced Dr. Melanie Hutto, Director of the Mississippi Model ABE Project at Mississippi State University, who gave Board members an overview of the project's concepts, instructional components, and goals. Dr. Hutto introduced Mrs. Chrystal Newman from East Mississippi Community College, who works with the model classroom located there. The model project consists of a consortium of four educational entities, Mississippi State University, but East Mississippi Community College, Starkville Public Schools, and Greater Columbus Learning Center.

Dr. Hutto also introduced Mrs. Blanche Grantham a graduate of the model project. Mrs. Grantham received her GED while enrolled in the program. She entered and won a state logo contest sponsored by the Governor's Office for Literacy. Mrs. Grantham addressed Board members about the idea behind her winning design. Mrs. Grantham's husband, was also in attendance.

Dr. Hutto introduced Mr. Tom Devaney with PREPS at Mississippi State University, who will assist with outside evaluation of the model project.

Mississippi Science and Technology Commission Appointment

Upon recommendation by Dr. Ray, a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by Hazel Terry, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to re-appoint Dr. Walter Howell to a two-year term on the Mississippi Science and Technology Commission.

EdNet Report

Mr. Paul Breazeale reported on the April 25, 1995, meeting.

Travel Authorizations

Chairman Breazeale asked for requests for travel authorizations reimbursements other than regularly stated Board meetings. On a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by Amos Bridges, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to approve a request for reimbursement from Paul Breazeale for attendance at an EdNet meeting on April 25, 1995.

Other Business

In other business, Chairman Breazeale appointed Hazel Terry to chair an Ad-Hoc committee established to review health care needs.

Chairman Breazeale also appointed Perrin Purvis and Alton Bankston to serve with him on a committee to review the Executive Director's salary for FY 1996.

The next Board meeting will be held in Jackson on June 15, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in the 5th floor conference room at the State Board Office.

Upon recommendation by Dr. Ray, a motion by Nell Rogers, and a second by Hazel Terry, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to officially endorse a recommendation to the Legislature that Senate Bill 3211 be amended to authorize the disbursement of \$50,000 per community college district for the employment and support of a technology specialist rather than disbursement these funds through the funding formula.

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, and a second by Patricia Puckett, the Board <u>voted unanimously</u> to change the date of the July Board meeting to July 21, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in order to meet in connection with the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges Trustees' annual meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. A buffet lunch was then enjoyed by Board members courtesy of the Engineering Research Center at Mississippi State University

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